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1. SUMMARY: EC COMMISSIONER CHEYSSON APPEARS CONFIDENT

THAT THE EC COUNCIL WILL APPROVE A SPECIAL EMERGENCY CONTRIBUTION TO UNRWA AT ITS JUNE 25 MEETING. CHEYSSON WOULD ALSO APPRECIATE ANY INFORMATION ON US PLANS FOR UNRWA SUPPORT. END SUMMARY.

2. THE AMBASSADOR HAS RAISED WITH EC COMMISSIONER CHEYSSON THE QUESTION OF EC AID TO UNRWA. COMMISSIONER CHEYSSON APPEARS CONFIDENT THAT THE EC COUNCIL WILL APPROVE THE COMMISSION'S PROPOSAL FOR A SPECIAL EMERGENCY CONTRIBUTION TO UNRWA AT ITS JUNE 25 MEETINGS. AS REPORTED IN REF B, THAT PROPOSAL CALLS FOR THE EXPENDITURE OF 6.55 MILLION UNITS OF ACCOUNT (UA).

3. USEC ASSUMES THAT THE REFTEL REFERENCE TO THE EC "WAIT AND SEE" ATTITUDE (REF A) REFERS TO THE LONG-TERM EDUCATION AND HEALTH PROGRAM. ON THIS, CHEYSSON REITERATED THE COMMISSION'S DESIRE TO AVOID GETTING INVOLVED IN ANY POLITICALLY SENSITIVE PREJUDGMENTS WHICH THE LOCATION OF SCHOOLS AND HEALTH CENTERS MIGHT REFLECT.

4. THE MISSION NOTES THAT IN AN ESTIMATE OF EC COMMUNITY AID PROGRAMS OVER THE NEXT FIVE YEARS, PREPARED FOR A DISCUSSION BY EC DEVELOPMENT MINISTERS ON JUNE 13, THE EC COMMISSION HAS INCLUDED ANNUAL EXPENDITURES OF 10 MILLION UAS IN SUPPORT OF UNRWA MID-EAST PROJECTS. THIS FIGURE WOULD COVER BOTH FOOD AID AND EDUCATION. THIS IS, HOWEVER, ONLY AN EC COMMISSION ESTIMATE. IT WOULD HAVE TO BE CONVERTED INTO AN EC COMMISSION PROPOSAL AND BE APPROVED BY THE EC COUNCIL BEFORE IT COULD BE IMPLEMENTED.

5. SUBSEQUENT TO THE AMBASSADOR'S DISCUSSION WITH CHEYSSON, HIS OFFICE ASKED WHETHER ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON THE PLANNED US PROGRAM FOR SUPPORT OF UNRWA (ALLUDED TO IN PARA 2 OF REF A) MIGHT BE AVAILABLE. PRESUMABLY THIS INFORMATION WOULD BE HELPFUL IN ARGUING THE COMMISSION'S CASE BEFORE THE COUNCIL ON JUNE 25. GREENWALD

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